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the matter of appeal represents a real flaw in the handling of juvenile delinquency. To make matters worse the appeal not only operates against the child's own welfare and the best interests of the community, but also the knowledge on the part of the Juvenile Court judge that an appeal may be taken sometimes influences him against his better judgment in the disposition of cases before him.

The question of appeal is only one of many problems arising out of the procedure and position of the Juvenile Court in our judicial system. Judge Baker in his book makes certain recommendations with respect to appeals, which have not been followed by legislation. It would be interesting to know how other communities handle this and other problems. The time seems to have arrived when a complete critical survey of Juvenile Court methods and procedure should be made somewhat along the lines of Mr. Reginald H. Smith's recent report on the administration of justice in his book "Justice and the Poor," published by the Carnegie Foundation. Such a survey would place in the hands of those generally interested in the Juvenile Court the material needed for the development of more effective technique and a basis for procedural and legislative changes.

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